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Masaya Kadono, et al. )  
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Examiner: William D. Coleman )  
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For: A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING )  
A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE )

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed January 4, 2005.